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North Carolina

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Historic American Buildings Survey
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Grace Securities Building, Richmond, Virginia

CASCADE (Residence)
Louisburg Vicinity, Franklin County, North Carolina

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Owner: Bennett H. Perry, Henderson, North Carolina

Date of Erection: Before the Revolutionary War

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Probably Jeremiah Perry (owner)

Present Condition: The building generally is in a fair state of preservation and with the exception of minor changes and replacements apparently retains its original form. A later porch has been added on the front and some of the sash have been replaced. Small porches at the side and rear doors are gone. The plaster is in poor condition and in places is entirely gone.

Number of Stories: Story and half with a cellar under part of the building.

Materials of Construction: Brick chimneys, cellar and foundation walls. The chimneys are built of red brick, flemish bond, with dark headers. Superstructure frame construction, weatherboarded outside, shingled roof. All interior walls in first floor except in one bedroom are wainscoted with flush pine sheathing boards, laid horizontally, plastered above and with plastered ceilings. The walls and ceilings of second floor bedrooms are sheathed with cedar boards. The width of sheathing boards runs from $6\frac{1}{4}$ " to $8\frac{1}{2}$ ". All interior woodwork is in its natural state. Flooring is pine.

Other Existing Records: The owner has in his possession two original grants from Earl Granville to Jeremiah Perry, an ancestor, one for three hundred and eighty-two acres of land, dated the twenty-eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-Two, and one for seven hundred acres of land, dated the eleventh day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-Two.

An earlier grant, dated 1749, from Earl Granville to William Perry, brother of Jeremiah Perry, is recorded in Granville County, North Carolina, Book C, page 241, for 605 acres, part of the land in the present plantation.

Additional Data: The mantel originally in the living room has been removed to a house in Louisburg, as has a corner china closet that stood in the dining room.

A new mantel similar to the one in dining room replaces the one that has been removed.

About 1850 the grandfather of the present owner erected a short distance from and in front of the old house a large frame dwelling and a small one story office building.

At one time there was, in the grounds in front of the old house, a race track, evidences of which can still be discerned among the trees.

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